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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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**Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of 5-Year Status
Reviews of 21 Species in the Mountain-Prairie Region**

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of initiation of reviews; request for information.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, are initiating 5-year status reviews under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), of 8 animal and 13 plant species. A 5-year status review is based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review; therefore, we are requesting submission of any new information on these species that has become available since the last review of the species.

DATES: To ensure consideration in our reviews, we are requesting submission of new information no later than [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. However, we will continue to accept new information about any listed species at any time.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on a particular species, contact the appropriate person or office listed in the table in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section. Individuals who are hearing impaired or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339 for TTY assistance.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Why Do We Conduct 5-year Reviews?

Under the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), we maintain Lists of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants (which we collectively refer to as the List) in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17.11 (for animals) and 17.12 (for plants). Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act requires us to review each listed species' status at least once every 5 years. Our regulations at 50 CFR 424.21 require that we publish a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing those species under active review. For additional information about 5-year reviews, go to <http://www.fws.gov/endangered/what-we-do/recovery-overview.html>, scroll down to “Learn More about 5-Year Reviews,” and click on our

factsheet.

What Information Do We Consider in Our Review?

A 5-year review considers all new information available at the time of the review.

In conducting these reviews, we consider the best scientific and commercial data that have become available since the listing determination or most recent status review, such as:

(A) Species biology, including but not limited to population trends, distribution, abundance, demographics, and genetics;

(B) Habitat conditions, including but not limited to amount, distribution, and suitability;

(C) Conservation measures that have been implemented that benefit the species;

(D) Threat status and trends in relation to the five listing factors (as defined in section 4(a)(1) of the Act); and

(E) Other new information, data, or corrections, including but not limited to taxonomic or nomenclatural changes, identification of erroneous information contained in the List, and improved analytical methods.

Any new information will be considered during the 5-year review and will also be useful in evaluating the ongoing recovery programs for the species.

Which Species Are Under Review?

This notice announces our active review of the 21 species listed in the table below.

ANIMALS						
Common Name	Scientific Name	Listing Status	Historical Range	Final listing rule (Federal Register citation and publication date)	Contact Person, Phone, Email	Contact Person's U.S. Mail Address
Bonytail chub	<i>Gila elegans</i>	Endangered	Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, Utah, U.S.A.	45 FR 27710; 04/23/1980	Tom Chart, Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program, Director, 303-236- 9885; tom_chart@fws.gov	Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program, 44 Union Blvd., Ste. 120, Lakewood, CO 80228
Colorado pikeminnow	<i>Ptychocheilus lucius</i>	Endangered	Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, U.S.A.	32 FR 4001; 03/11/1967	Tom Chart, Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program, Director, 303-236- 9885; tom_chart@fws.gov	Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program, 44 Union Blvd., Ste. 120, Lakewood, CO 80228
Greenback cutthroat trout	<i>Oncorhynchus clarki stomias</i>	Threatened	Colorado, Utah, U.S.A.	32 FR 4001; 03/11/1967	Drue DeBerry, Acting Project Leader, 303-236- 4264; drue_deberry@fws. gov	Ecological Services, Colorado Field Office, P.O. Box 25486-DFC, Denver, CO 80225
Humpback chub	<i>Gila cypha</i>	Endangered	Arizona, Colorado, Utah, U.S.A.	32 FR 4001; 03/11/1967	Tom Chart, Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program, Director, 303-236-	Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program, 44 Union Blvd., Ste. 120, Lakewood, CO 80228

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Kendall Warm Springs dace	<i>Rhinichthys osculus thermalis</i>	Endangered	Wyoming, U.S.A.	35 FR 16047; 10/13/1970	Tyler Abbott, Deputy Project Leader, 307-772-2374	Ecological Services, Wyoming Field Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, #308A, Cheyenne, WY 82009
Razorback sucker	<i>Xyrauchen texanus</i>	Endangered	Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, U.S.A.	56 FR 54957; 10/23/1991	Tom Chart, Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program, Director, 303-236-9885; tom_chart@fws.gov	Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program, 44 Union Blvd., Ste. 120, Lakewood, CO 80228
Topeka shiner	<i>Notropis Topeka</i> (=tristis)	Endangered	Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, South Dakota, U.S.A.	63 FR 69008; 12/15/1998	Jason Luginbill, Project Leader, 785-539-3474; jason_luginbill@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Kansas Field Office, 2609 Anderson Ave., Manhattan, KS 66502
Uncompahgre fritillary butterfly	<i>Boloria acrocnema</i>	Threatened	Colorado, U.S.A.	56 FR 28712; 6/24/1991	Ann Timberman, Western Colorado Field Supervisor, 970-628-7181; ann_timberman@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Western Colorado Field Office, 445 W. Gunnison Ave., #240, Grand Junction, CO 81501-5711
PLANTS						
Scientific Name	Common Name	Listing Status	Historical Range	Final listing rule (Federal Register citation and publication date)	Contact Person, Phone, Email	Contact Person's U.S. Mail Address
<i>Astragalus holmgreniorum</i>	Holmgren milk-vetch	Endangered	Arizona, Utah, U.S.A.	66 FR 49560; 09/28/2001	Larry Crist, Project Leader, 801-975-3330; larry_crist@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Utah Field Office, 2369 W. Orton Circle, #50, West Valley City, UT 84119
<i>Astragalus ampullarioides</i>	Shivwits milk-vetch	Endangered	Utah, U.S.A.	66 FR 49560; 09/28/2001	Larry Crist, Project Leader, 801-975-	Ecological Services, Utah Field Office, 2369 W. Orton

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<i>Astragalus osterhoutii</i>	Osterhout milkvetch	Endangered	Colorado, U.S.A.	54 FR 29658; 7/13/1989	Ann Timberman, Western Colorado Field Supervisor, 970-628-7181; ann_timberman@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Western Colorado Office, 445 W. Gunnison Ave., #240, Grand Junction, CO 81501-5711
<i>Eutrema penlandii</i>	Penland alpine fen mustard	Threatened	Colorado, U.S.A.	58 FR 40539; 7/28/1993	Ann Timberman, Western Colorado Field Supervisor, 970-628-7181; ann_timberman@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Western Colorado Office, 445 W. Gunnison Ave., #240, Grand Junction, CO 81501-5711
<i>Ipomopsis polyantha</i>	Pagosa skyrocket	Endangered	Colorado, U.S.A.	76 FR 45054; 07/27/2011	Ann Timberman, Western Colorado Field Supervisor, 970-628-7181; ann_timberman@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Western Colorado Office, 445 W. Gunnison Ave., #240, Grand Junction, CO 81501-5711
<i>Penstemon penlandii</i>	Penland beardtongue	Endangered	Colorado, U.S.A.	54 FR 29658; 7/13/1989	Ann Timberman, Western Colorado Field Supervisor, 970-628-7181; ann_timberman@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Western Colorado Office, 445 W. Gunnison Ave., #240, Grand Junction, CO 81501-5711
<i>Physaria congesta</i> (<i>Lesquerella congesta</i>)	Dudley Bluffs bladderpod	Threatened	Colorado, U.S.A.	55 FR 4152; 02/06/1990	Ann Timberman, Western CO Field Supervisor, 970-628-7181; ann_timberman@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Western CO Field Office, 445 W. Gunnison Ave., #240, Grand Junction, CO 81501-5711
<i>Physaria obcordata</i>	Dudley Bluffs twinpod	Threatened	Colorado, U.S.A.	55 FR 4152; 02/06/1990	Ann Timberman, Western CO Field Supervisor, 970-628-7181;	Ecological Services, Western Colorado Office, 445 W. Gunnison Ave., #240, Grand Junction, CO 81501-5711

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<i>Schoenocrambe suffrutenscens</i>	Shrubby reed-mustard	Endangered	Utah, U.S.A.	52 FR 37416; 10/06/1987	Larry Crist, Project Leader, 801-975-3330; larry_crist@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Utah Field Office, 2369 W. Orton Circle, #50, West Valley City, UT 84119
<i>Schoenocrambe argillacea</i>	Clay reed-mustard	Endangered	Utah, U.S.A.	52 FR 37416; 10/06/1987	Larry Crist, Project Leader, 801-975-3330; larry_crist@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Utah Field Office, 2369 W. Orton Circle, #50, West Valley City, UT 84119
<i>Sclerocactus brevispinus</i>	Pariette cactus	Threatened	Utah, U.S.A.	74 FR 47117; 09/15/2009	Larry Crist, Project Leader, 801-975-3330; larry_crist@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Utah Field Office, 2369 W. Orton Circle, #50, West Valley City, UT 84119
<i>Sclerocactus wetlandicus</i>	Uinta Basin hookless cactus	Threatened	Utah, U.S.A.	74 FR 47112; 09/15/2009	Larry Crist, Project Leader, 801-975-3330; larry_crist@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Utah Field Office, 2369 W. Orton Circle, #50, West Valley City, UT 84119
<i>Sclerocactus wrightiae</i>	Wright fishhook cactus	Endangered	Utah, U.S.A.	44 FR 58866; 10/11/1979	Larry Crist, Project Leader, 801-975-3330; larry_crist@fws.gov	Ecological Services, Utah Field Office, 2369 W. Orton Circle, #50, West Valley City, UT 84119

Request for New Information

To ensure that a 5-year review is complete and based on the best available scientific and commercial information, we request new information from all sources. See “**What Information Do We Consider in Our Review?**” for specific criteria. If you submit information, please support it with documentation such as maps, bibliographic references, methods used to gather and analyze the data, and/or copies of any pertinent publications, reports, or letters by knowledgeable sources.

How Do I Ask Questions or Provide Information?

If you wish to provide information for any species listed above, please submit your comments and materials to the appropriate contact in the table above. You may also direct questions to those contacts. Individuals who are hearing impaired or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339 for TTY assistance.

Public Availability of Submissions

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by

appointment, during normal business hours at the offices where the comments are submitted.

Completed and Active Reviews

A list of all completed and currently active 5-year reviews addressing species for which the Mountain-Prairie Region of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has lead responsibility is available at <http://www.fws.gov/endangered/>.

Authority

This document is published under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

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